



February 9, 2004

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL AND E-FILE

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
One South Station  
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Colonial Gas Company, D.T.E. 03-90

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

In light of the February 4, 2004 decision by the Hearing Officer to grant Bay State Gas Company's ("Bay State") Motion for Leave to Intervene as a Full Party in this proceeding, Bay State hereby withdraws its Appeal of the Hearing Officer Ruling, which was filed with the Department on November 26, 2003, because the issue upon which it appealed has now been rendered moot.

Thank you sincerely for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "PMF", written over a horizontal line.

Patricia M. French  
Senior Attorney

cc: John R. Craven, Esq., Hearing Officer, DTE  
Patricia Crowe, Esq., KeySpan Energy Delivery